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Inmate Death at MCFP Springfield

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Friday, January 15, 2021, inmate Omar Adonis Guzman-Martinez tested positive for COVID-19 and was placed in medical isolation at the Medical Center for Federal Prisoners (MCFP) Springfield in Springfield, Missouri. On Thursday, January 21, 2021, Mr. Guzman-Martinez was transported to a local hospital for further evaluation and treatment due to respiratory distress. On Sunday, January 31, 2021, Mr. Guzman-Martinez, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions, which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased by hospital staff.

Mr. Guzman-Martinez was a 48-year-old male who was sentenced in the Southern District of New York to a 560-month sentence for Conspiracy to Distribute and Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine and Witness Tampering. He had been in custody at MCFP Springfield since December 19, 2018.

MCFP Springfield is an administrative security facility that currently houses 780 male offenders.

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